

REMARKS

Responsive to the requirement for election of species, applicant elects that of Figures 5 and 8-18.

It is believed that claims 1-8 and 10-18 are readable on the elected embodiment.

Notice that we include claim 12 among the readable claims. This is because claim 12 is really generic to each of the claimed species. Claim 12 recites that the junction point between a radial ring (4) and the inside catching tooth (5, 6, 7) is wider or thicker. This allows the tooth not to bend under the pulling force of the links. The quantity of matter providing rigidity is important here, not the shape.

An action on the merits is respectfully requested.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 25-0120 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17.

Respectfully submitted,

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